- (1) There are reasonable grounds to believe that a crime directly or immediately affecting the safety of human life or the national security has been committed or is about to be committed.
- (2) There are reasonable grounds to believe that evidence will be obtained essential to the solution of such crime, or which may enable the prevention of such crime.
- (3) There are no other means readily available for obtaining such information.
- (b) Where statements are solely upon the information and belief of the applicant, the precise source of the information and the grounds for the belief must be given.
- (c) The applicant must state whether any prior application has been made to obtain telephonic and telegraphic communications on the same instrument or from the same person and if such prior application exists the applicant shall disclose the current status thereof.
- (d) The application and any order issued under this Section shall identify fully AS FULLY AS POSSIBLE the particular telephone or telegraph line from which the information is to be obtained and the purpose thereof.
- (e) The court shall examine upon oath or affirmation the applicant and any witness the applicant desires to produce or the court requires to be produced.
- (f) Orders issued under this Section shall not be effective for a period longer than thirty (30) days, after which period the court which issued the order may upon application of the officer who secured the original order, by application, in its discretion, renew or continue the order for an additional period not to exceed thirty (30) days.
- 103. Any officer who knowingly proceeds under an order which has expired and has not been renewed as provided in Section 102 of this sub-title is deemed to act without authority under Section 102 of this sub-title and shall be subject to the penalties provided in Section 107 of this sub-title or in Section 670A of Article 27 of this Code (as added by this Act to the 1951 Edition) as though he had never obtained any such order.
- 104. The application for any order under Section 102 of this subtitle and any supporting documents and testimony in connection therewith shall remain confidential in the custody of the court and these materials shall not be released or information concerning them in any manner disclosed except upon written order of the court.
- 105. Only evidence obtained in conformity with the provisions of this sub-title shall be admissible in evidence, and then only in a prosecution for the crime or crimes specified in the court order, in the circuit courts of this State or in the Criminal courts of Baltimore City.
- 106. Nothing in this section shall apply to the Federal Bureau of Investigation or to any other federal investigating agency; nor shall any order issued hereunder direct or compel an employee of a telephone or telegraph company to do any act or furnish any information in violation of Federal law.